



# Maryland Agriculture Data

## Weekly Crop and Weather Report



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### Small Grain Harvest Continues

With the hot, dry weather experienced in Maryland early in the week, farmers had an average of 5.3 **days suitable for field work** such as small grain harvesting. However, the rains toward the week’s end managed to hamper activities. Nevertheless, **barley** is currently 35 percent harvested, 8 percent behind the five year average with 4 percent of the crop rated in excellent condition, 73 percent good, 19 percent fair, and 4 percent rated poor. **Winter wheat** harvest has just begun with 6 percent rated excellent, 60 percent good, 23 percent fair, and 11 percent poor.

Harvesting activities also commenced for vegetables such as **cucumbers, potatoes** and **snap beans** which are 8 percent, 6 percent, and 6 percent harvested respectively. Harvesting continues for green peas which are 68 percent harvested, 15 percent ahead of last year, and 21 percent ahead of the five year average.

The heat advanced corn and soybean development. Conditions were maintained for the most part despite reports of flood damage in some areas. **Corn** is rated 5 percent excellent, 57 percent good, 30 percent fair, 5 percent poor, and 3 percent very poor. Soybeans are rated 6 percent excellent, 60 percent good, 29 percent fair, 3 percent poor, and 2 percent very poor.

### MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 17, 2001 (PERCENT)

ITEM	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE 1996-2000
Small Grain Development:				
Barley, harvested	35	14	53	43
Rye, turned	65	42	86	80
Rye, harvested	35	30	46	34
Winter Wheat, turned	66	28	84	70
Planting Progress:				
Cantaloupes	87	80	98	97
Cucumbers	60	55	75	80
Lima Beans	50	45	47	53
Snap Beans	67	60	87	79
Soybeans	72	55	65	60
Sweet Corn	92	88	97	94
Watermelons	76	66	84	94
Harvesting Progress:				
Cucumbers	8	--	23	10
Green Peas	68	43	53	47
Potatoes	6	--	6	2
Snap beans	6	--	3	1
Strawberries, harvested	78	68	93	79
Hay Harvested:				
Other hay, 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting	91	74	89	80
Other hay, 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	18	13	24	15
Alfalfa, 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	26	19	25	22

### CROP CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 17, 2001 (PERCENT)

Condition	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Barley	0	4	19	73	4
Winter Wheat	0	11	23	60	6
Rye	0	1	35	60	4
Range & Pasture	1	5	25	54	15

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